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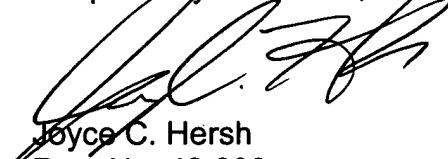
**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the primary examiner finally rejecting claims 1-5, 7-14, 16-18 and 22-24 dated June 21, 2004.

The appeal fee of \$500.00 is enclosed. If for any reasons the fee is insufficient, please charge the balance to Deposit Account No. 50-1721 of the undersigned attorney. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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